





Section 16

2018 Calendar of Events

January

- **24-25 January** – Central Asian Climate Change Conference, Almaty, Kazakhstan
- **31 January-1 February** – Workshop “Transboundary Water Management Adaptation in the Amu Darya River Basin to Climate Change and Future Challenges: Tools and Recommendations”, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

February

- **6-7 February** – Global workshop “Moving forward transboundary water cooperation: building on its benefits”, Geneva, Switzerland
- **14-15 February** – Central Asian Citizens Forum towards the 8th World Water Forum, Dushanbe, Tajikistan

March

- **7 March** – Joint meeting of the Implementation Committee under the UNECE Water Convention and Compliance Committee under the Protocol on Water and Health, Geneva, Switzerland
- **8-9 March** – 9th meeting of the Implementation Committee under the UNECE Water Convention, Geneva, Switzerland
- **14 March** – World Rivers Day
- **15 March** – 1st consultation meeting of the Heads of Central Asian states, Astana, Kazakhstan
- **18-23 March** – 8th World Water Forum, Brasilia, Brazil
- **22 March** – World Water Day
- **22 March** – Launch of the International Decade for Action “Water for Sustainable Development” 2018-2028, New York, USA
- **24-25 March** – International Scientific and Practical Conference “Water for sustainable development in Central Asia” dedicated to the beginning of the International Decade for Action “Water for Sustainable Development” 2018-2028, Dushanbe, Tajikistan
- **26 March** – Aral Sea Day

April

- **15 April** – International Conference “A drop of water – a grain of gold”, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan
- **24-25 April** – Regional consultation workshop “Towards a strategic guidance on climate change and adaptation in the Central Asian Mountain Regions”, Almaty, Kazakhstan
- **30 April-10 May** – Conference on climate change, Bonn, Germany

May

- **2-4 May** – 8th ICID Asian Regional Conference, Kathmandu, Nepal
- **7-9 May** – WMO Global Conference “Prosperity through Hydrological Services”, Geneva, Switzerland
- **22 May** – International Day of Biological Diversity
- **22-23 May** – International Scientific and Practical Conference “Improving efficiency, reliability and security of hydraulic facilities”, Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- **29-30 May** – 13th meeting of the Working Group on IWRM, Geneva, Switzerland

June

- **5-8 June** – Central Asian International Environmental Forum “Strengthening cooperation on environment and sustainable development in Central Asia”, Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- **7-8 June** – International Conference “Joint efforts to mitigate consequences of the Aral Sea catastrophe: new approaches, innovative solutions, investments”, Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- **20-22 June** – International High-Level Conference on the International Decade for Action “Water for Sustainable Development” 2018-2028, Dushanbe, Tajikistan
- **25-26 June** – Regional hands-on training on equitable access to water and sanitation, Geneva, Switzerland

August

- **12 August** – Caspian Sea Day
- **12-17 August** – ICID International Conference, Saskatoon Saskatchewan, Canada
- **26-31 August** – 28th World Water Week “Water, Ecosystems, and Human Development”, Stockholm, Sweden

September

- **September 16-21** – IWA World Water Congress and Exhibition (IWA), Tokyo, Japan

October

- **October 2-4** – Asian Water Forum 2018: Information, Innovation, and Technology, Manila, Philippines
- **10-12 October** – 8th session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Water Convention, Astana, Kazakhstan

November

- **26-27 November** – Meeting of the Global Network of Basins working on climate change

December

- **4-5 December** – Sanitation Workshop under the Protocol on Water and Health, Geneva, Switzerland
- **4-6 December** – Tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the UNECE Industrial Accidents Convention, including risk assessment seminar, Geneva, Switzerland

List of Abbreviations

ADB	Asian Development Bank
AIB	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
ALRI	Agency of Land Reclamation and Irrigation at the Government of Tajikistan
ASBmm	Aral Sea Basin model
ASBP	Action Program to assist the countries of the Aral Sea Basin
BISA	Basin Irrigation System Administration
BRI	Belt and Road Initiative
BWO	Basin Water Organization
CAREC	Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia
CDW	Collector-drainage water
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
CMC ICWC	Coordination Metrology Center of ICWC
CSTO	Collective Security Treaty Organization
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
EC IFAS	Executive Committee of IFAS
ECOSOC UN	Economic and Social Council
ED IFAS	Executive Directorate of IFAS
EECCA	Eastern Europe, Caucasus, and Central Asia
EECCA NWO	Network of the Eastern Europe, Caucasus, and Central Asia Water Management Organizations
EIA	Environmental impact assessment
ESCAP	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GIS	Geographic Information System
GIZ	German Agency for International Cooperation (Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit)
GWP	Global Water Partnership
ICID	International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage
ICSD	Interstate Commission for Sustainable Development of Central Asia
IDB	Islamic Development Bank
IFAS	International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea
INBO	International Network of Basin Organizations
ISA	Irrigation System Administration
IWAC	International Water Assessment Center
IWRM	Integrated Water Resource Management
IWRA	International Water Resources Association

JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
MAWR	Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources (Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan)
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NGO	Non-governmental organization
NHMS	National Hydrometeorological Services
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OIC	Organization of Islamic Cooperation
OSCE	Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
RCH	Regional Center of Hydrology at EC IFAS
SCO	Shanghai Cooperation Organization
SDC	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (agency for international cooperation of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs)
SDG	Sustainable Development Goals
SIC ICWC	Scientific-Information Center of the Interstate Commission for Water Coordination
SIWI	Stockholm International Water Institute
SPECA	Special Program for the Central Asian countries
UN	United Nations
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UNEP	United Nations Environment Program
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNGA	UN General Assembly
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
UNRCCA	United Nations Regional Center for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia
UNSC	UN Security Council
UPRADIK	Amu Darya Inter-Republican Canals Division
USAID	United State Agency for International Development
WB	World Bank
WCA	Water Consumer Association
WHO	World Health Organization
WMO	World Meteorological Organization
WWC	World Water Council

